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In Reply Refer To: CBI-YYU-0(204)T Avenue E, State Route 195 to County 18th Street Air Quality Conformity Determination

Paul O'Brien, P.E. Environmental Planning Administrator Arizona Department of Transportation 205 South 17th Avenue, MD 612E Phoenix, Arizona 85007-3212

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) received the request from the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), dated June 8, 2021, for a project-level air quality conformity determination for the Avenue E, State Route (SR) 95 to County 18th Street project [CBI-YYU-0(204)T|0000 YU YYU SS976 03D]. The project is located in Yuma County. The project will provide an approximately 6.10 mile-long connection between SR 195 and County 18th Street, consisting of two 12-foot-wide travel lanes, shoulders, and turnlanes at three intersections.

The portion of the project included in the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) area is designated nonattainment for Particulate Matter (PM10) the project is outside of the Yuma Ozone nonattainment boundary. The PM10 National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) are subject to project-level conformity requirements. A conformity determination for the regional conformity analysis of the YMPO 2018-2041 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and FY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was most recently issued by FHWA and FTA on November 14, 2019. The project is currently listed in the State of Arizona's State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for FY 2023.

FHWA has reviewed ADOT's air quality analysis documentation, including interagency consultation initiated on June 3, 2020. This project is not a project of air quality concern for PM10 and does not require a quantitative PM10 hot-spot analysis under 40 CFR 93.123(b). ADOT has provided email concurrence from EPA (dated June 16, 2020) on the project.

Based on our review of the air quality analysis and interagency consultation information provided by ADOT, regarding the Avenue E, State Route 95 to County 18th Street project and

the scope of work, FHWA is making the determination that this project meets the air quality conformity requirements and conforms with the State Implementation Plan in accordance with 40 CFR 93. If there are any questions on this determination, please contact Jennifer Elsken at 602-382-8974 or jennifer.elsken@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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